Grease and Acid

weather parka when working in the motor pool. Grease or acid will ruin it.

Battery acid eats away at the fabric. And, once it starts, there's no way to stop it. You'll have to get a new parka.

Grease is just as bad. Once it gets on your parka, it won't come out because the parka can't be washed at temperatures hot enough to dissolve the grease. Heat can loosen seam tape inside the parka, which helps keep it waterproof.

If your parka gets dirty from substances other than acid or grease, refer to the laundering instructions on the care label attached to the garment.

Here's how to wash it safely:

- * Use warm water and detergent.
- * In the washing machine, use the permanent press cycle.
- * Rinse thoroughly in clean, warm water.
- * When hand washing and rinsing, do not wring or twist the garment. That rough treatment can make holes in the waterproof barrier.
- * Do not use bleach or starch.
- * Tumble dry on a delicate low heat setting (do not exceed 90°F) or hang it to air dry on a rustproof hanger. That way, rust won't stain the parka.



